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### January 1 Sheep and Lamb Inventory in the Northwest Region down 2 percent from Last Year

January 1, 2016 sheep and lamb inventory in Idaho was estimated at 255 thousand head, down 2 percent from 2015. Inventory of sheep and lambs in Oregon was 190 thousand head, down 3 percent from last year. In Washington, sheep and lamb inventory totaled 50.0 thousand head, down 4 percent from January 1, 2015. Nationally, January 1 all sheep and lamb inventory was estimated at 5.32 million head. This was up 1 percent from January 1, 2015.

January 1, 2016 milk goat inventory in Idaho totaled 3,800 head, down 3 percent from 2015. Inventory of milk goats in Oregon was estimated at 12,200 head, up 28 percent from last year. In Washington, milk goat inventory was 8,000 head, up 11 percent from the previous year. Nationally, January 1 milk goat inventory was estimated at 375 thousand head, up 3 percent from January 1, 2015.

January 1, 2016 inventory of meat and other goats in Oregon was estimated at 27.0 thousand head, up 13 percent from last year. In Washington, meat and other goat inventory was 22.0 thousand head, up 5 percent from the previous year. Nationally, January 1 meat and other goat inventory was estimated at 2.10 million head, down 1 percent from January 1, 2015.

All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2016, totaled 2.62 million head, down 1 percent from 2015.

### Sheep and Lamb Inventory by Class — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: January 1, 2015 and 2016

State	All sheep and lambs			Total breeding		Total market	
	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Idaho .....	260.0	255.0	98	187.0	185.0	73.0	70.0
Oregon .....	195.0	190.0	97	140.0	135.0	55.0	55.0
Washington .....	52.0	50.0	96	42.0	41.0	10.0	9.0
United States .....	5,280.0	5,320.0	101	3,935.0	3,965.0	1,345.0	1,355.0

**Breeding Sheep and Lamb Inventory by Class — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States:  
January 1, 2015 and 2016**

State	Breeding sheep				Replacement lambs		Total breeding sheep and lambs	
	Ewes		Rams					
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Idaho .....	150.0	146.0	6.0	5.0	31.0	34.0	187.0	185.0
Oregon.....	110.0	107.0	6.0	6.0	24.0	22.0	140.0	135.0
Washington.....	31.0	31.0	3.0	3.0	8.0	7.0	42.0	41.0
United States .....	3,110.0	3,125.0	175.0	175.0	650.0	665.0	3,935.0	3,965.0

**Lamb Crop — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2014 and 2015**

State	Ewes 1 year and older January 1		Lambs per 100 ewes January 1		Lamb crop <sup>1</sup>		
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2015 as percent of 2014
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(number)	(number)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Idaho .....	155.0	150.0	119	120	185.0	180.0	97
Oregon.....	97.0	110.0	132	117	128.0	129.0	101
Washington.....	34.0	31.0	121	110	41.0	34.0	83
United States .....	3,090.0	3,110.0	111	111	3,440.0	3,440.0	100

<sup>1</sup> Lamb crop is defined as lambs born in the Eastern States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States.

**Market Sheep and Lamb Inventory by Weight Group — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States:  
January 1, 2015 and 2016**

State	Market lambs					Market sheep	Total market sheep and lambs
	Under 65 pounds	65 - 84 pounds	85 - 105 pounds	Over 105 pounds	Total		
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Idaho							
2015.....	1.0	10.0	12.0	49.0	72.0	1.0	73.0
2016.....	2.0	10.0	13.0	44.0	69.0	1.0	70.0
Oregon							
2015.....	7.0	9.0	15.0	22.0	53.0	2.0	55.0
2016.....	6.0	8.0	16.0	22.0	52.0	3.0	55.0
Washington							
2015.....	2.0	2.5	2.5	1.0	8.0	2.0	10.0
2016.....	1.5	2.5	1.5	2.0	7.5	1.5	9.0
United States							
2015.....	327.0	163.0	267.0	503.0	1,260.0	85.0	1,345.0
2016.....	330.0	179.0	264.0	507.0	1,280.0	75.0	1,355.0

**Sheep and Lamb Farm Slaughter and Death Loss — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States:  
January 1, 2014 and 2015**

State	Farm slaughter <sup>1</sup>		Deaths			
			Sheep		Lambs	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Idaho .....	2.6	2.6	7.0	9.0	9.0	11.0
Oregon.....	4.1	4.1	8.0	10.0	7.0	7.0
Washington.....	6.1	6.2	3.0	3.5	2.0	2.0
United States .....	94.5	95.1	220.0	230.0	365.0	375.0

<sup>1</sup> Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments.

## Wool Production — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2014 and 2015

State	Sheep shorn		Weight per fleece		Production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
Idaho .....	200.0	200.0	8.5	8.3	1,700	1,650
Oregon .....	158.0	165.0	6.3	6.7	1,000	1,100
Washington .....	36.0	33.0	7.5	7.9	270	260
United States .....	3,680.0	3,680.0	7.3	7.4	26,680	27,050

## Wool Price and Value — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2014 and 2015

State	Price per pound		Value <sup>1</sup>	
	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(dollars)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
Idaho .....	1.54	1.53	2,618	2,525
Oregon .....	1.36	1.73	1,360	1,903
Washington .....	1.80	1.90	486	494
United States .....	1.46	1.45	38,909	39,298

<sup>1</sup> Production multiplied by marketing year average price. United States value is the summation of State values.

## Goat Inventory by Category — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: January 1, 2015 and 2016

Category and State	2015	2016	2016 as percent of 2015
	(head)	(head)	(percent)
Angora goats			
Idaho .....	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Oregon .....	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Washington .....	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
United States .....	160,000	150,000	94
Milk goats			
Idaho .....	3,900	3,800	97
Oregon .....	9,500	12,200	128
Washington .....	7,200	8,000	111
United States .....	365,000	375,000	103
Meat and other goats			
Idaho .....	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Oregon .....	24,000	27,000	113
Washington .....	21,000	22,000	105
United States .....	2,125,000	2,095,000	99

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